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Virginia documents pertaining to William Sweeney VAS1771
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[The following is from [pension records in the Library of Virginia](#).]

At a Court held for New Kent County the eighth Day of Dec'r 1785

A Letter from his Excellency the Governor inclosing a list of the pensioners of this state was produced to the Court and read. And Ordered that the Clerk Certify to his Excellency that William Sweeney one of the persons mentioned on the said list lately dyed and that not any other of said persons reside in this County.

Test William Clayton Clk

[The following from [Library of Virginia Legislative Petitions Digital Collection](#)/ Amelia County is assumed to pertain to the same William Sweeney.]

To the Hon'ble, the Speaker & gentlemen of the General Assembly of Virginia

The Petition of Elizabeth Sweeney Humbly sheweth

That your Petitioner is the widow of William Sweeney not long since deceased. that her said husband was a foot soldier and while in the Service of his countrey received a wound through his arm and body which totally disabled him from obtaining a subsistence. that the said William for several years received a pension allowed him on this occasion but that on his decease the said Pension was struck off the list by which means your Petitioner [several illegible words] infirm and poor and advanced [illegible word] in years is reduced to the most indigent circumstances. Your Petitioner therefore prays your Honble house to take her case into consideration and to make such provision for her as to your Honours may seem meet. And your Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray &c

Sweeney's Pet'o Octo 25th 1786 rejected